RESOLUTION 2016- 307

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT FROM THE OCEAN COUNTY MUNICIPAL JOINT INSURANCE FUND FOR POLICE ACCREDITATION SERVICES AND EXECUTION OF A GRANT AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the Commission on the Accreditation of Law Enforcement Agencies ("CALEA") and the State of New Jersey Associations of Chiefs of Police offer a program to obtain accreditation in order to attain the highest standards of police department management; and

WHEREAS, the Ocean County Joint Insurance Fund is seeking to encourage police departments to pursue such excellence by providing a grant in the amount not to exceed \$20,000 to support the Township of Ocean's Police Department's efforts to attain accreditation from New Jersey Chiefs of Police or CALEA; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police and the governing body believe that the attaining of such certification is consistent with the goals of the Township of Ocean Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police is committed to taking necessary action in order to support the accreditation process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Ocean, (Herein After the "Municipality") in the County of Ocean, and State of New Jersey, as follows:

- 1. The Mayor, Administrator and Chief of Police are hereby required to enter into an agreement with the Ocean County Municipal Joint Insurance Fund for the receipt of funding not to exceed \$20,000.
- 2. The Municipality agrees to abide by the terms of this program to attain certification or re-certification within 18 months of the date of the agreement.
- 3. The Municipality agrees to provide funding for the remaining costs associated with becoming accredited. In addition, the Municipality shall attach a certification from their CFO that the balance of the funds are available to complete the police accreditation process and further acknowledge that municipal funds will be spent first, prior to the grant being issued.
- 4. The Member Municipality understands that the JIF shall not be responsible nor it will it commit to provide any additional funding to maintain said accreditation, and this is a one time only grant per municipality.
- 5. If the Municipality does not achieve certification or re-certification within the 18 month period, the amount of the funding is due and re-payable to the Ocean County Municipal JIF immediately.
- 6. If the Municipality does not renew its membership in the JIF while the accreditation is taking place, said grant would be due to the JIF immediately upon membership expiration.

- 7. If your municipality is currently accredited, you will be eligible to apply for this grant program upon your reaccreditation process.
- 8. The 2013 program will allow for six (6) municipalities to receive the grant monies to become accredited. The Executive Committee will consider the grant applications on a first come, first served basis.
- 9. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

ADOPTED: July 14, 2016

CERTIFICATION

I, Diane Ambrosio, Clerk of the Township of Ocean, in the County of Ocean and the State of New Jersey, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted by the Township Committee at its Regular Business Meeting held on the 14th day of July 2016.

Diane B. Ambrosio, RMC Administrator/Municipal Clerk